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SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS FOR OB ALEXANDRIA

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1. RENOVATIONS OF CONGEN ALEX 2ND FLOOR PROCEEDING ON
SCHEDULE WITH COMPLETION EXPECTED EARLY JULY.

2. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING
CURRENT DEPT. THINKING ON TYPE OF COMMUNICATIONS
FACILITIES PLANNED FOR CONGEN. SOME EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES
WILL HAVE TO BE PROVIDED BY LOCAL PTT AND WE WOULD PREFER TO
ADVISE THEM OF OUR REQUIREMENTS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.
REFTEL, PARA N RECOMMENDS OFF-LINE FULL DUPLEX LEASED
TELETYPE CIRCUIT BETWEEN ALEXANDRIA AND CAIRO.
POST FEELS THIS OPTION WILL MEET MINIMUM ONGOING
CONGEN AND EMBASSY REQUIREMENTS. SECOND OPTION WOULD
ENTAIL INSTALLATION OF SECURE ON-LINE COMMUNICATIONS.
PLEASE ADVISE.

3. FYI: ALL INDICATIONS ARE THAT PRESIDENT SADAT
AND SENIOR GOE CABINET OFFICIALS EXPECT TO MOVE TO
ALEXANDRIA DURING JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST. AMBASSADOR
WILL THEREFORE PROBABLY HAVE TO SPEND MONTH OR TWO IN
ALEX AND WILL NEED ADEQUATE CLASSIFIED COMMUNICATIONS
FACILITIES TO OPERATE EFFICIENTLY THERE.

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